THE WALK FOR EVANGELISM
SYDNEY TO NEWCASTLE

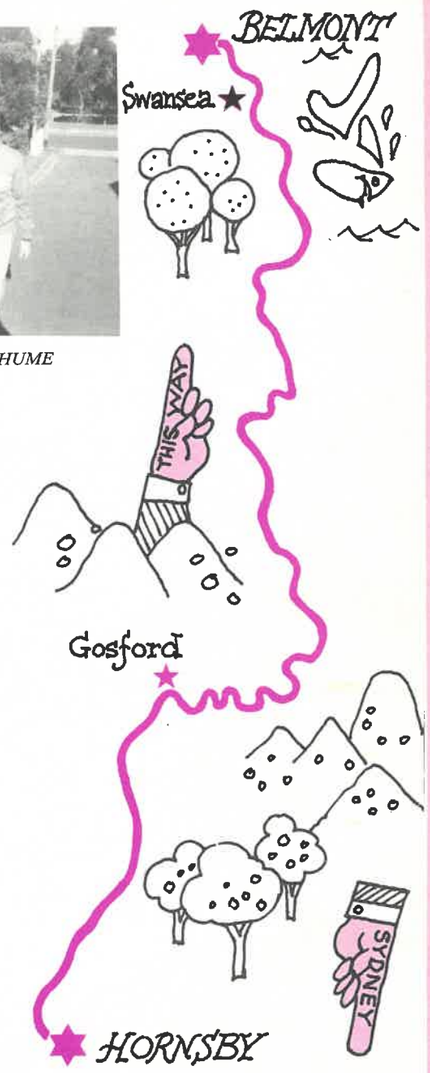
THE CHALLENGE

CHARLES HUME

"When I heard they needed a volunteer to walk from Sydney to Newcastle to raise funds for Church Army?. I thought someone's got to do it, why not me?. So I've accepted the Challenge", says Charles Hume, "and with God's help, I'll make it!"

No keep fit fanatic, Charles who's a student at the Church Army College of Evangelism enjoys swimming and jogging to keep in shape. A New Zealander of Scottish parentage, he displays an inherent determination to do well in all he does and he usually finishes what he starts.

So look out for Charles Hume walking along the old Pacific Highway enroute to Newcastle on the 31st July and 1st August. Be part of the Welcome Party at Belmont with Bishop Richard Appleby. Who says "I look forward to welcoming and walking the last few kilometres with Charles Hume."



GOOD NEWS

What a great way to celebrate your birthday — Sharing the Good News with someone! Each year during the first weekend in August, the Church Army in Australia commemorates its birthday (4th August, 1934) and returns to Newcastle, N.S.W. its "birthplace". We are welcomed by the Diocese and our Officers and representatives are invited to preach in many of the Churches.

Included in our Birthday Weekend this year is a sponsored walk from "Sydney to Newcastle". Charles Hume a New Zealand student at the Church Army College of Evangelism has accepted the challenge to walk from Hornsby (Sydney), to Belmont (Newcastle) over 100 kms. This will be a 2 day event, starting 31st July a.m. to 1st August p.m., stopping overnight in the Gosford area. In his rucksack will be a number of Good News Bibles that the Church Army is giving to the new Parish of Belmont North. The purpose of the walk is to raise funds to make a number of video films showing the Church Army in action. We want to show and tell what the Church Army has to offer you and your Parish.

Will you help us? Please sponsor Charles Hume in his marathon walk!

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The WALK FOR EVANGELISM
SYDNEY TO NEWCASTLE
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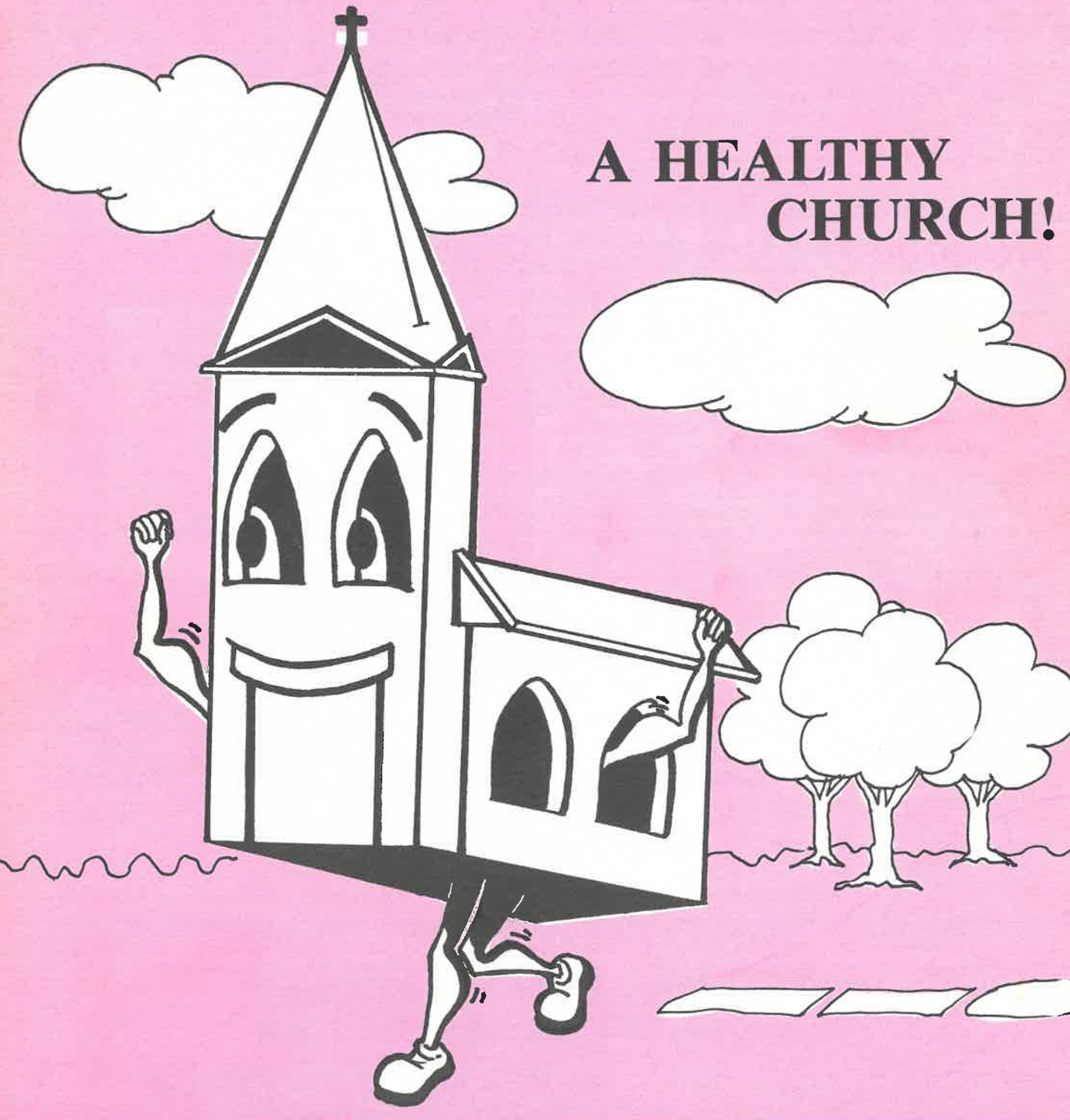

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The Instant Satisfaction Pill?

REV. DAVID REAY

It was John F. Kennedy who told Americans to ask not what their country could do for them, but what they could do for their country.

Governments are supposed to give us what we want for the least possible expense. The government gives and the government takes away. But we always hope it will do more of the former and less of the latter.

We can treat God like that. Pious little piggies, snouts in the trough, greedy for God's goodies.

Good health? Prosperity? Success? Model children? Press the right button and God will dispense your desires.

God is not an instant satisfaction pill. He is not a means to an end. God ought to be served and loved not because he gives us things to help us feel good, but simply because he is God.

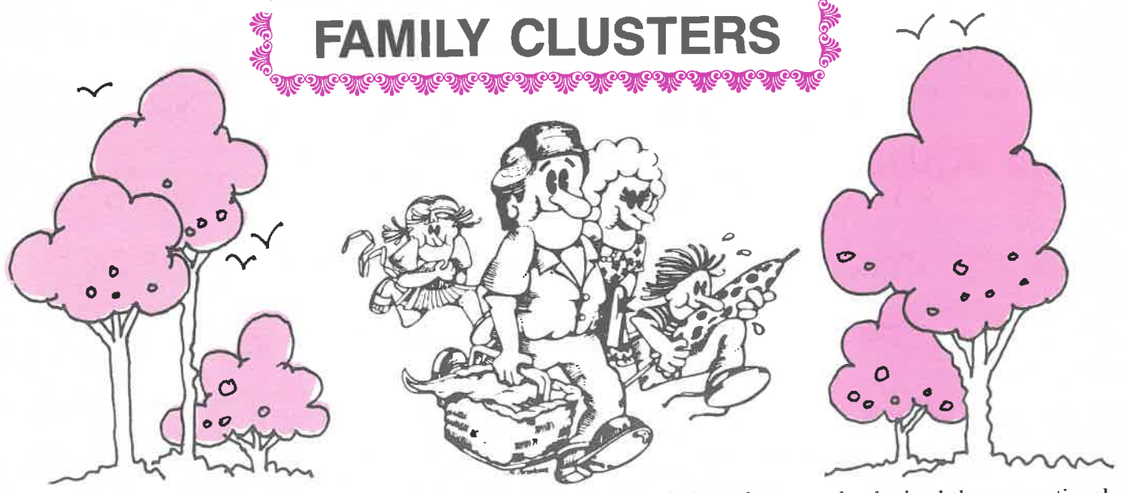
Do we think God's time is largely taken up with figuring out how to make each of us happy? God is more concerned with our holiness than our happiness.

God loves to bless us. Like any father, he wants his children to enjoy life. Like any father, he knows that sometimes there are more important things to aim at than enjoyment.

Perhaps we should begin to ask more what we can do for God than what he can do for us.

Rev. David Reay
Rector of St. Stephens Belrose
Chaplain Church Army College of Evangelism

FAMILY CLUSTERS



Most fellowship activities organised by parishes tend to be either for adults together or for children or young people with other children or young people. Very little is planned that is inter-generational or that brings several families together. For this reason a number of parishes are organizing family clusters. They are simple to organize, good fun to participate in and can add a new dimension to parish and family life.

Step One. Arrange for two or three families to get together for a basket meal.

Step Two. Watch a Christian video together followed by very informal discussion and, if appropriate, pray together.

Church Army has recently obtained three exceptional 1hr 20min Christian family films which are ideal for use in family clusters. They are "Tanglewood Secrets"; "Treasures of the Snow" and "The Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe" (B.B.C. animated version of C. S. Lewis' classic story).

Hire cost is $10.00 where there is multiple family use plus postage. We don't mind how far away you are as long as videos are returned straight after use. Available through the Church Army Centre at Belrose. Phone (02) 451-8395 or write c/- P.O. Box 107, Frenchs Forest, 2086. (Also available through the Church Army Bookshop, 14 Perkins Street, Newcastle, (049) 23160).

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It is with great sadness we record the death of Kevin Cullen on 26th May, 1987. Kevin was commissioned as a Church Army officer on 30th November, 1974. He began his ministry in the parish of Forbes, and whilst there became conscious of God's call to train as a pilot. Obedience and faithfulness were always marks of Kevin's ministry. Thus after learning to fly, he became well known around Australia as the "Flying Evangelist". From the parish base of Forbes, then Lismore, and still later Forestville in Sydney, Kevin flew with the liberating and empowering news of the Christian Gospel to many parts of the continent. Awareness of the Holy Spirit's blessing in his own life, made Kevin keen to help others experience this fullness and healing. He used every opportunity to proclaim the saving power of Christ in clear and powerful ways. As Director of Church Army, I spent many hours with Kevin in the four seater Cessna 172 aircraft which had the distinctive call sign IXK. Kevin specially chose this registration as a witness, for in Greek these letters would signify: Jesus — Christ — Lord. I was always very impressed with Kevin's care and skill as a pilot. Everything had to be done well. Only the best was good enough for God. Yet ultimately mechanical maintenance, charts, and learned skills took second place to the sovereignty of God. Each flight began with a prayer of commitment, and ended with praise. Once when flying through a severe storm over Tasmania, there was the assurance that Kevin knew the Lord had things in control. There are many people in

KEVIN CULLEN

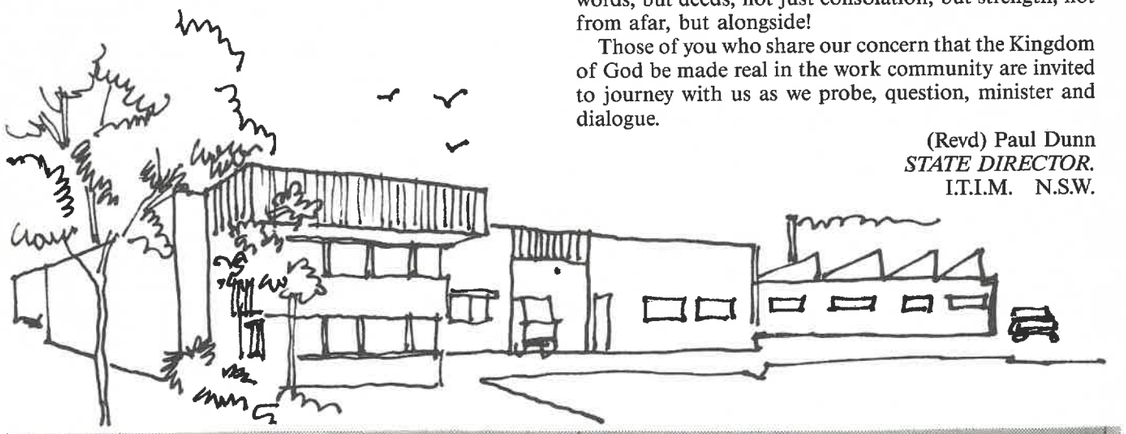
Australia — especially in more remote and outback areas — who were brought to a saving knowledge of Christ through the ministry of this man of God.

Kevin's long and painful fight with cancer was undertaken with the firm assurance of all things still being in the control of his loving heavenly Father. Our love and prayers go out to Lyn Cullen and their two children, Anthony and Belinda. The Baptist Church in Forestville was full to overflowing for the funeral service, which sounded out the note of praise for a life lived to the glory of the Saviour whom Kevin constantly sought to uplift.

Gilbert Page.

Difficult Questions???

(REVD) PAUL DUNN



What does humility mean for a Marketing Executive or a Trade Union Advocate?

What does love mean in a competitive business situation? What does peace mean in a noisy city or in the midst of a factory's din?

How does one apply the values of God's Kingdom in the modern industrial world of today?

These are difficult questions! However we dare not retreat from them and only seek to apply the Gospel to those parts of our lives not related to work. To do that means we are refusing to share the Love of God where we are.

But *HOW* do we care and share the Good News in the work community? — Whether we are Industrial Chaplains, like Capt. Doug Quayle or Capt. David Hinchliffe of the Church Army, or just *christians in the workplace.*

We in I.T.I.M. (Inter-Church Trade and Industry Mission) have no easy answers to these questions. But we know from our experience that our ministry must not be just words, but deeds, not just consolation, but strength, not from afar, but alongside!

Those of you who share our concern that the Kingdom of God be made real in the work community are invited to journey with us as we probe, question, minister and dialogue.

(Revd) Paul Dunn
STATE DIRECTOR.
I.T.I.M. N.S.W.

WILLS & BEQUESTS

REMEMBER GOD'S WILL IN YOUR WORK
AND REMEMBER GOD'S WORK IN YOUR WILL

The Church Army has been in Australia for over 50 years. Through its Officers, men and women, its ministry has been felt in many Parishes. Our vision is to grow and to extend our ministry throughout Australia. You can support this vision by making a special and lasting gift to Church Army through your will.

For more information contact Wal Spencer, Church Army in Australia, P.O. Box 107, Frenchs Forest, N.S.W. 2086, or ring (02) 451 8395.

On Being a Christian

I.T.I.M. offers a laity course called "On Being a Christian at Work".
A course for Christians in the work-place, with four sessions:

* My work-place
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A leader's guide, with resource material is available.

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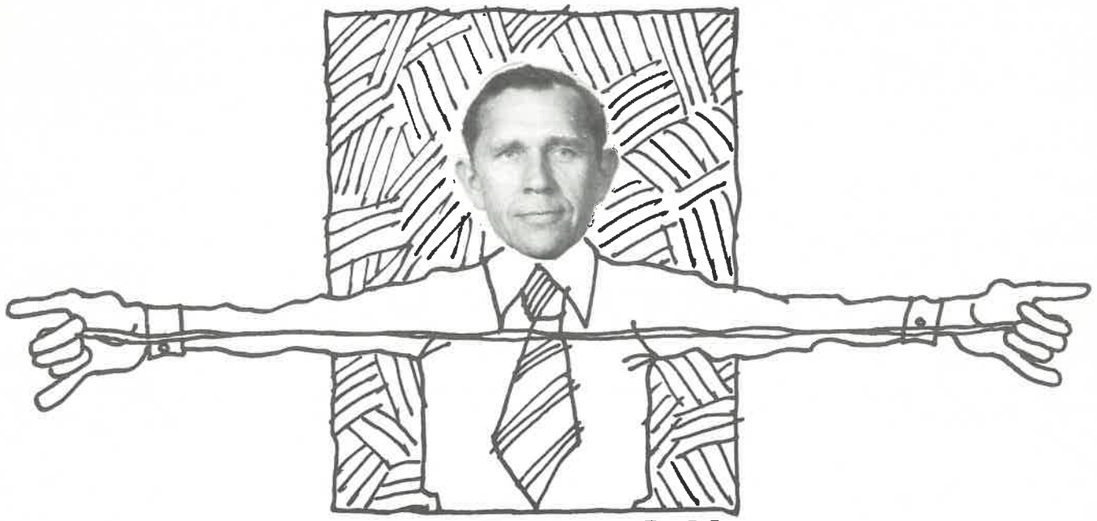

STRETCH

If you have two identical rubber bands, take one and hook your 2 index fingers into it and slowly start to stretch it. Then, increase the stretching action for a couple of minutes. After that stop and measure the stretched rubber band against the unstretched one. You'll find the stretched one has grown, it doesn't shrink back to its original size.

People are like that, when they are stretched they grow. If of course you stretch them too hard and too long, like rubber bands they snap and break.

How far can you stretch your Rector (Vicar, Pastor, Priest, Minister)? Is he/she involved in preaching, teaching, youth work, childrens' ministry, social work, counselling, missions, pastoral work, training and a 101 other jobs?

Does he/she have time to plan, organise and put into action an effective outreach programme in your Parish. If not, perhaps Church Army can help you. We'd love to talk with you to discuss ways and means of increasing the evangelistic outreach in your Parish.

Why not contact us, by phone or by letter or come in and chat with us over a cup of tea or coffee. Let us take the breaking out of stretching.

Wal Spencer
Publicity & Development

"FREEDOM TO LOVE" The testimony of Jack Harradine

Jack, an Aborigine, is a senior student evangelist at The Church Army College of Evangelism, Belrose. After tragically losing his father, he became a hard hitting, embittered street fighter. In and out of reform school, destined for a life of crime. Jack's testimony tells how God rescued him and gave him "Freedom to Love!"

This ½ hour Video is ideal for all outreach occasions, especially men's groups.

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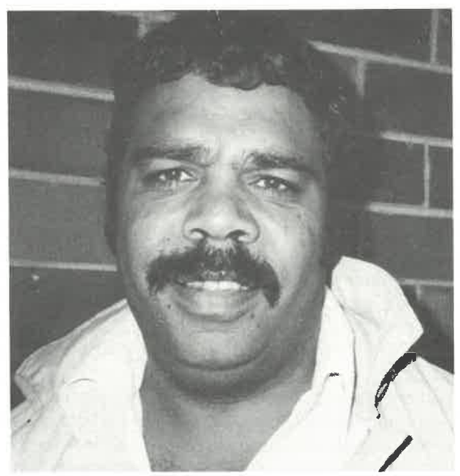

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